AMENDMENT TO CLAIMS

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

- 1. (canceled)
- 2. (canceled)
- 3. (canceled)
- 4. (canceled)
- 5. (canceled)
- 6. (canceled)
- 7. (currently amended) A composition comprising a stable polyurethane latex having a mean volume average particle size of not greater than about 1 micron and a solids content of at least 45 percent by weight, wherein the polyurethane latex contains units formed from a chain-extending reagent selected from the group consisting of water, diamines, and alcohol monoamines, and wherein the latex is stabilized by a surfactant consisting essentially of an external anionic surfactant.
 - 8. (canceled)
- 9. (currently amended) The composition of Claim 7 wherein the polyurethane latex has a solids content of at least 55 percent by weight, wherein the chain-extending reagent is selected from the group consisting of piperazine and water, and wherein the latex contains not more than 0.1 weight percent solvent.
 - 10. (canceled)
 - 11. (canceled)
 - 12. (canceled)
- 13. (currently amended) The composition of Claim 7 wherein the external anionic surfactant is a sulfate of an ethoxylated phenol, an alkali metal fatty acid salt, an alkali metal lauryl sulfate, an amine lauryl sulfate, an alkali metal alkylbenzene

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sulfonate, an amine alkylbenzene sulfonate, or an alkali metal soap of a modified resin and wherein the latex contains no solvent and wherein the chain extending reagent includes water.

14. (canceled)